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# **Ternary Permutable Semigroups of the First Kind**

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**Abstract:** A semigroup S is called a permutable semigroup if  $\rho \cdot \sigma = \sigma \cdot \rho$  is satisfied for all congruences  $\rho$  and  $\sigma$  of S . A non empty set S together with a ternary multiplication denoted by juxtaposition, is said to be a ternary semigroup if (abc)de = a (bcd)e = ab(cde) for all a,b, c, d, e  $\in$  S . In this paper we deal with permutable ternary semigroups of the first kind.

**Keywords:** Ternary semigroup, permutable semigroup.

## 1. Introduction

The first paper about permutable semigroups is [4] where some general theorems are proved and the commutative permutable semigroups are described.

Using the terminology of [5], a semigroup S is called a semigroup of type A if it is a semilattice of a nil semigroup  $S_0$  and a rectangular group  $S_1 = L \times G \times R$  with  $|L| \le 2$ ,  $|R| \le 2$  (L is a left zero semigroup, G is a group, G is a right zero semigroup). A semigroup G of type G is called of the first kind if  $G \in S_1 G$ , for every  $G \in S$ .

Let S be a ternary permutable semigroup of the first kind. Then S is a semilattice of a nil semigroup  $S_0$  and a rectangular abelian group  $S_1 = L \times G \times R$  with  $|L| \le 2$ ,  $|R| \le 2$  (L is a left zero semigroup, G is a group, R is a right zero semigroup). It is obvious that  $S_1$  is a rectangular band  $L \times R$  of discoint subgroups  $G_{ij} = \{i\} \times G \times \{j\}$  ( $i \in L, j \in R$ ) and the idempotent elements of  $S_1$  are the identity elements  $e_{ij} = (i, e, j)$  of  $G_{ij}$  (here e denotes the identity element of G).

Introduce the following notation: for an element t of a non-empty set T containing at most two elements, let  $\bar{t} = t$  if |T| = 1 and let  $\bar{t} \in T - \{t\}$  if |T| = 2.

**Definition1:**A semigroup S is called a permutable semigroup if  $\rho \cdot \sigma = \sigma \cdot \rho$  is satisfied for all congruences  $\rho$  and  $\sigma$  of S.

**Definition2:** A non empty set S together with a ternary multiplication denoted by juxtaposition, is said to be a ternary semigroup if (abc)de = a(bcd)e = ab(cde) for all  $a,b,c,d,e \in S$ .

**Definition3:** A ternary semigroup S is said to be commutative if  $x_1x_2x_3 = x_{\sigma(1)}x_{\sigma(2)}x_{\sigma(3)}$  for every permutation  $\sigma$  of  $\{1,2,3\}$  and  $x_1,x_2,x_3 \in S$ .

# 2. TERNARY PERMUTABLE SEMIGROUPS OF THE FIRST KIND

**Lema 1:** If S is a ternary permutable semigroup of the first kind then, for every  $a \in S, i \in L$  and  $i \in R$  we have

- (i)  $e_{ij}a = e_{ij}a$ .
- (ii)  $ae_{ii} = ae_{ii}$ .

**Proof.** As S is ternary permutable semigroups for every  $a \in S, i \in L$  and  $j \in R$  we have

$$e_{ij}a = e_{ij}e_{i\bar{i}}e_{ij}a = e_{ij}e_{i\bar{i}}e_{i\bar{i}}a = e_{i\bar{i}}a$$

and

$$ae_{ii} = ae_{ii}e_{ii}e_{ij} = ae_{ii}e_{ij}e_{ij} = ae_{ii}$$
.  $\square$ 

Introduce the following notations. For arbitrary  $i \in L$  and  $j \in R$ , let

$$A_i = e_{ij}S = e_{-i}S$$
 and  $B_j = Se_{ij} = Se_{-i}$ 

It is clear that  $A_i = G_{ij} \cup G_{i\bar{j}} \cup e_{ij}S_0$  and  $B_j = G_{ij} \cup G_{\bar{i}j} \cup S_0e_{ij}$ .

A semigroup is said to be left (right) commutative if it satisfies the identity abc = bac(abc = acb).

**Lema 2:** Let S be a ternary permutable semigroup of the first kind. Then  $A_i (i \in L)$  and  $B_i (j \in R)$  are left and right commutative subsemigroups of S, respectively.

**Proof.** It is clear that  $e_{ij}$  is left identity elements of  $A_i$ . Then, for arbitrary elements  $a, x, y \in A_i$ ,

$$xya = e_{ii}xya = e_{ii}yxa = yxa.$$

Hence  $A_i$  is left commutative. The proof of the assertion for  $B_i$  is similar.  $\square$ 

**Lemma 3:** Let S be a ternary permutable semigroup of the first kind. Then

$$S = A_i \cup A_{\overline{i}} = B_j \cup B_{\overline{i}} (i \in L, j \in R).$$

Moreover,  $A_i \cap A_{\overline{i}}$  and  $B_j \cap B_{\overline{i}}$   $(i \in L, j \in R)$  are ideals of S.

**Proof.** Let S be a ternary permutable semigroup of the first kind. Then for every  $a \in S$  there is an element  $e_{ij} \in E(S_1)$  such that  $a = e_{ij}a \in A_i$ .

Thus 
$$S = A_i \cup A_{\overline{i}} (i \in L)$$
. Similarly,  $S = B_j \cup B_{\overline{j}} (j \in R)$ .

It is clear that  $A_i \cap A_j \neq \emptyset$  is a right ideal of S. Let  $s \in S, a \in A_i \cap A_j$  be arbitrary elements. Then

 $e_{t,k}a = a$  for every  $t \in L, k \in R$ . Assume  $s \in A_i$ . As  $A_i$  is a subsemigroup of  $S, sa \in A_i$ . As S is of the first kind, a = at for an element  $t \in S_t$ .

Thus for arbitrary  $j \in R$ ,  $e_{ii}sa = e_{ii}sat = e_{ij}ast = ast = e_{ii}ast = e_{ii}sat = sa$ , that is  $sa \in A_i$ .

Thus  $sa \in A_i \cap A_{\overline{i}}$ . Hence  $A_i \cap A_{\overline{i}}$  is an ideal of  $A_i$ . We can similarly prove that  $A_i \cap A_{\overline{i}}$  is an ideal of  $A_{\overline{i}}$ . Hence  $A_i \cap A_{\overline{i}}$  is an ideal of  $A_{\overline{i}}$ . The proof of the assertion that  $B_j \cap B_{\overline{j}}$  is an ideal of  $A_{\overline{i}}$  is similar.  $\Box$ 

**Lema 4:** If f is an idempotent element of a ternary semigroup S, then

 $\eta_f = \{(x, y) \in S \times S \mid fx = fy\}$  and  $\mu_f = \{(x, y) \in S \times S \mid xf = yf\}$  are congruences on S.

**Proof.** It is clear that  $\eta_f$  is a right congruence. Let x, y, z be arbitrary elements of S such that  $(x, y) \in \eta_f$ . Then fzx = ffzx = fzfx = fzfy = ffzy = fzy and so  $(sx, sy) \in \eta_f$ .

Hence  $\eta_f$  is a congruence on S. The proof is similar for  $\mu_f$ .  $\square$ 

**Lema 5:** If S is a ternary permutable semigroup of the first kind then, for every  $i \in L$  and  $j \in R$ 

(1) 
$$\eta_{e_{i\bar{i}}} = \eta_{e_{i\bar{i}}} = \eta_{e_{i\bar{i}}} = \eta_{e_{i\bar{i}}} = \eta_{e_{i\bar{i}}}$$

(2) 
$$\mu_{e_{ij}} = \mu_{e_{ij}} = \mu_{e_{ij}} = \mu_{e_{ij}}$$
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**Proof.** By lema 1,  $\eta_{e_{i\bar{i}}} = \eta_{e_{i\bar{i}}}$  and  $\eta_{e_{i\bar{i}}} = \eta_{e_{i\bar{i}}}$ .

We show that  $\eta_{e_{ij}} = \eta_{e_{ii}}$ .

Assume that  $(a,b) \in \eta_{e_{ij}}$  for some  $a,b \in S$ . Then  $e_{ij}a = e_{ij}b$  and so

$$e_{i\tilde{i}}a = e_{i\tilde{i}}e_{ij}a = e_{i\tilde{i}}e_{ij}b = e_{i\tilde{i}}b.$$

Then  $(a,b) \in \eta_{e_{ij}}$ . Thus,  $\eta_{e_{ii}} \subseteq \eta_{e_{ij}}$ . Similarly  $(a,b) \in \eta_{e_{ij}}$  for some  $a,b \in S$ , then  $e_{\bar{i}j}a = e_{\bar{i}j}b$ 

and so  $e_{ij}a = e_{ij}$ ,  $a = e_{ij}$ ,  $b = e_{ij}$ . Then  $a_{ij} = e_{ij}$ . Thus  $a_{ij} = e_{ij}$ . Thus  $a_{ij} = e_{ij}$ . Hence  $a_{ij} = e_{ij}$ . Thus  $a_{ij} = e_{ij}$ . Thus  $a_{ij} = e_{ij}$ . Thus  $a_{ij} = e_{ij}$ .

**Lema 6:** If S is a ternary permutable semigroup of the first kind then for every  $i \in L$  and  $j \in R$ ,  $A_i \cong S / \eta$  and  $B_i \cong S / \mu$ .

**Proof.** Let  $[a]_{\eta}$  denote the  $\eta$ -class of S containing the element a of S. We show that

 $[a]_{\eta} = (E(S_1))a$ . Assume  $(x, y) \in \eta$  for some  $x, y \in A_i$ . As  $e_{ij}$  is a left identity element of  $A_i$ , we have  $x = e_{ij}x = e_{ij}y = y$ . Thus  $\eta / A_i = id_A$  where  $\eta / A_i$  is the restriction of  $\eta$  to  $A_i$  and  $id_A$ .

Is the identity relation of  $A_i$ . Let  $a \in S$  be an arbitrary element. Then by lema3,  $S = A_i \cup A_{\overline{i}}$ , and so there is an element  $i \in L$  such that  $a \in A_i$ . As  $e_{ij}a = e_{ij}e_{ija}$   $j \in R$ , we have  $(a, e_{ij}a) \in \eta$ .

Thus 
$$[a]_{\eta} = \{a, e_{ij}a\}$$
.

Since 
$$a = e_{ij}a = e_{ij}a$$
 and  $e_{ij}a = e_{ij}e_{ij}e_{ij}a = e_{ij}e_{ij}e_{ij}a = e_{ij}a$ , we get  $[a]_{\eta} = \{a, e_{ij}a\} = (E(S_1))a$ .

This result implies that  $|A_i \cap [a]_{\eta}| = 1$  for every  $a \in S$ . Let  $\Phi_i$  denote the mapping of  $S/\eta$  to  $A_i$  defined by  $\Phi_i : [a]_{\eta} \to A_i \cap [a]_{\eta}$ . Then  $\Phi_i$  is bijective. As  $(A_i \cap [a]_{\eta})(A_i \cap [b]_{\eta}) \in (A_i \cap [ab]_{\eta})$  we get  $\Phi_i(a)\Phi_i(b) = (A_i \cap [a]_{\eta})(A_i \cap [b]_{\eta}) \in (A_i \cap [ab]_{\eta}) = \Phi_i(ab)$  which means that  $\Phi_i$  is a homomorphism.

Thus  $\Phi_i$  is an isomorphism of  $S/\eta$  onto  $A_i$ . The proof of  $B_j \cong S/\mu$  is similar  $\square$ .

**Corollary 1**: Let *S* be a ternary permutable semigroup of the first kind. Then for every  $i \in L$  and  $j \in R$ ,  $\phi_i : a \to a' = e_{ij} a (a \in A_i)$  and  $\Psi_j : b \to b' = b e_{ij} (b \in B_j)$  are isomorphisms of  $A_i$  and  $B_j$  onto  $A_j$  and  $B_j$ , respectively.

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